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## NNSA To Hold Private Sector Dialogue To Discuss Contracting Options In Global Threat Reduction Program

WASHINGTON, D.C. - - On Thursday, February 9, the National Nuclear Security Administration's (NNSA) Global Threat Reduction Initiative (GTRI) will hold a town hall-style meeting to discuss NNSA's expanding use of private industry to carry out its global security mission.

The meeting will serve to discuss NNSA's contract procurement process, upcoming opportunities for the private sector as it relates to the GTRI mission-critical work, and to receive feedback on the proposed procurement approach. For more information, go to www.nnsa.doe.gov.

"This informational discussion will bring both NNSA and private industry representatives together for an open dialogue on potential contracting opportunities. The private sector plays an important role in helping NNSA accomplish its critical global security mission. Thursday's meeting will hopefully bring to light even more opportunities for each of us to work together," said NNSA Principal Deputy Administrator Jerry Paul.

GTRI is focused on identifying, securing and removing and/or disposing of high-risk, vulnerable nuclear and radiological materials around the world - as quickly and expeditiously as possible – that pose a potential threat to the U.S. and the international community. NNSA works with other countries and organizations, including private industry representatives, to carry out its global security mission.

Established by Congress in 2000, NNSA is a semi-autonomous agency within the U.S. Department of Energy responsible for enhancing national security through the military application of nuclear science. NNSA maintains and enhances the safety, security, reliability and performance of the U.S. nuclear weapons stockpile without nuclear testing; works to reduce global danger from weapons of mass destruction; provides the U.S. Navy with safe and effective nuclear propulsion; and responds to nuclear and radiological emergencies in the U.S. and abroad.